

I value obtaining my DSL Internet service from a small independent ISP such as Sonic.net. I had used their service for a few years, then switched to Pacbell.net for several years for DSL. I recently returned to Sonic, and have a clear and strong preference for doing business with a small, local, responsive, human faced business. It appears to me that BellSouth's request would badly affect my future choices, and the choices of all consumers. Please take this into consideration as you make your decision. Thank you.